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District: 05 – Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**RUSSELL ROAD ON/OFF RAMPs CLOSED FOR CONSTRUCTION BEGINNING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 7**

Highway 101 traffic will access Russell Road and Harrison Road via Boronda Road

MONTEREY COUNTY – On Monday, November 7, 2011, Granite Construction and MCM Construction, Caltrans' contractors for the 101 Prunedale Improvement Project, will close the on and off ramps from northbound Highway 101 to Russell Road in Salinas.

The closure is necessary to construct a new undercrossing that, when completed, will allow local traffic on Espinosa and Russell Roads to cross beneath Highway 101. Crews will also be working on a new interchange, which will be called the Sala Road Interchange. This new interchange will allow traffic to enter and exit Highway 101 unimpeded by local west-east traffic circulation.

During construction there will be no direct entrance to Russell Road or Harrison Road from Highway 101. Highway 101 traffic heading to Russell Road will need to exit the highway at Boronda Road and head east to Main Street, then turn left on Main Street to Russell Road.

The Highway 101 Prunedale Improvement Project. addresses safety and operational concerns along the Highway 101 corridor between North Salinas and Echo Valley Road.

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